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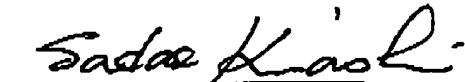
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Customer Number: **38834****AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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